


A close-up of a man with short, wavy orange hair. He is huffing, with his mouth open and eyes closed. Two small white circles with the word "HUFF" in orange text are next to his head. A speech bubble is above him.

YOU'VE STILL
GOT IT, COACH.

STOP TEASING
ME, I'M JUST AN
OLD MAN.



A close-up of the same man with orange hair, now smiling broadly. He has sweat drops on his forehead and cheeks. A speech bubble is above him. Below the speech bubble are two empty white circles.

I COULD TELL
YOU WERE GOING
EASY ON ME.



A man in a blue jacket is standing in a locker room. He is looking down at his hands, which are clenched into fists. In the background, there are lockers with blue gear hanging on them. A speech bubble is above him.

YOU LOOSENEED
YOUR GRIP OUT OF
CONSIDERATION,
RIGHT?

OH, THAT
WAS BARELY A
HANDICAP.

IF ONLY YOU
STILL HAD YOUR
OTHER ARM...

ENOUGH...

IT'S BEEN
MONTHS SINCE
THAT INCIDENT.

RRRING

AN URGENT
CALL.

LOW-RANKING
HUNTERS GET
LAST-MINUTE CALLS
LIKE THIS ALL
THE TIME.

LOOKS LIKE
WE'LL HAVE TO
WRAP THINGS UP
HERE TODAY.



COACH.

ARE YOU REALLY
NOT GOING TO
RETIRE?




TSK,
RETIRE?



I WON'T BE ALIVE FOR
MUCH LONGER. I WANT TO
HELP THIS WORLD BE A
BETTER PLACE WITH THE
TIME I HAVE LEFT.

BUT
NEVER MIND
THAT, I'M QUITE
SURPRISED...



...TO HAVE AN
S-RANK LIKE YOU
LEARNING THE WAY
OF THE SWORD FROM
A LOWLY HUNTER
LIKE ME.

I MAY BE A
HIGHER RANK, BUT MY
SKILLS ARE STILL
LACKING.

Solo Leveling

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Story · h-goon



MY SWORD DOESN'T
WORK AGAINST MAGIC
BEASTS BECAUSE MY
PHYSICAL ABILITIES
WEREN'T ENHANCED
WHEN I AWAKENED.

WHY DID A
SWORDSMAN
LIKE ME GET
AWAKENED AS
A MAGE?

I SPENT
YEARS HONING MY
SWORDSMANSHIP, BUT
IT'S USELESS IN THE
DUNGEONS...





MR. SONG?

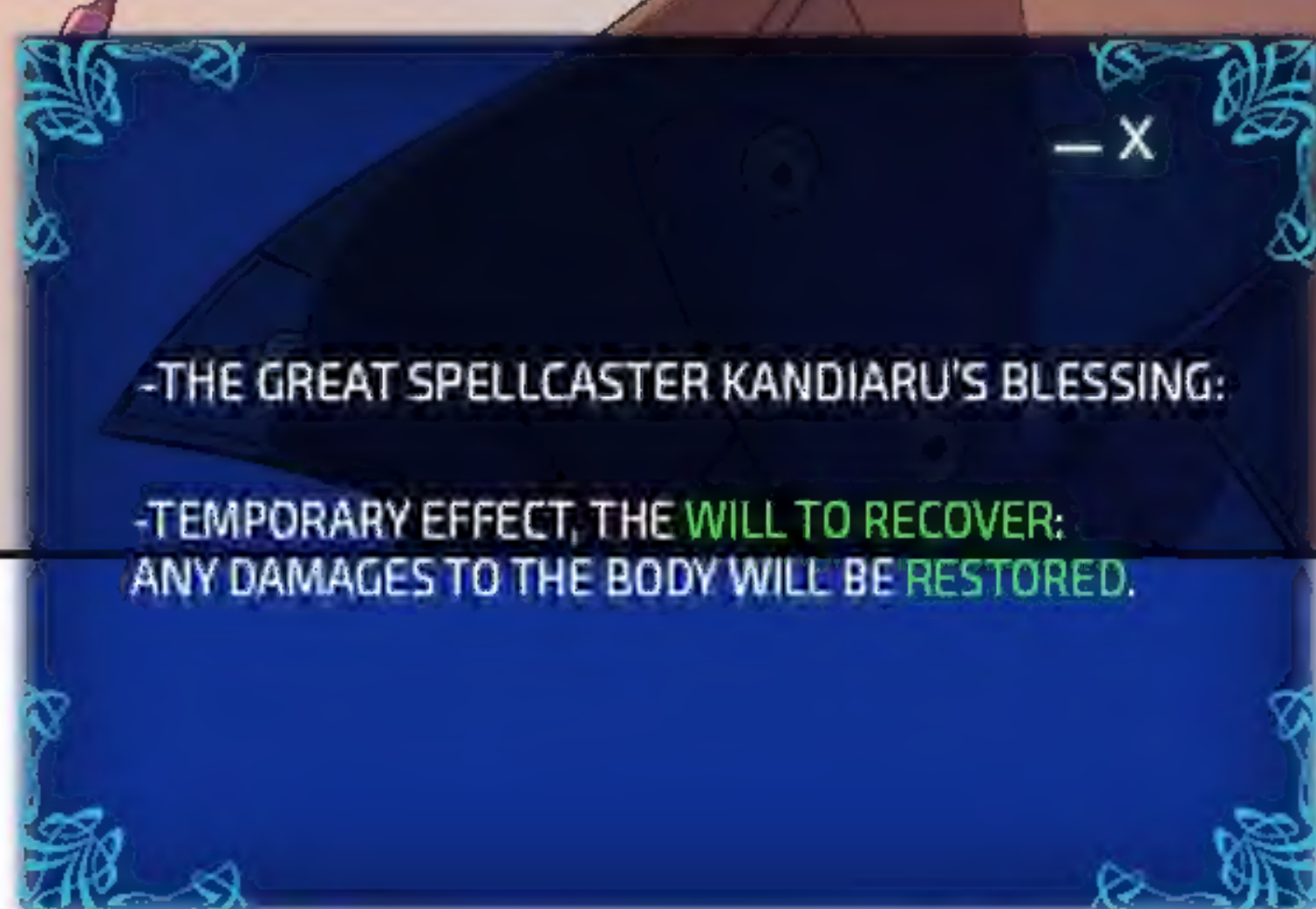


I BARELY
RECOGNIZED
YOU!

THERE'S NO TRACE
OF YOUR OLD BOYISH
SELF LEFT!

YOU'VE CHANGED
SO MUCH WITHIN
THE COURSE OF A
FEW MONTHS!

WHAT
HAPPENED TO
YOU?!



WHAT?! THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE!

ANYWAY, IT WOULD'VE BEEN A TRAGEDY IF A YOUNG MAN LIKE YOU'D BECOME DISABLED!

PAT

PAT

I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE OKAY!
THANK GOD!

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DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME!

IT'S A MIRACLE THAT A HUNTER LIKE ME NEVER HAD AN ACCIDENT UP UNTIL THEN.

ANYWAY, I HEARD RUMORS THAT YOU'D SURVIVED, BUT I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE YOU'RE HERE IN FRONT OF ME!

DID YOU GET A CALL FROM THE ASSOCIATION, TOO? WERE YOU ON YOUR WAY THERE?

YEAH.



ALL THE MEMBERS
FROM THAT DAY ARE
HERE.



JINWOO?!



JOOHEE...





AND...

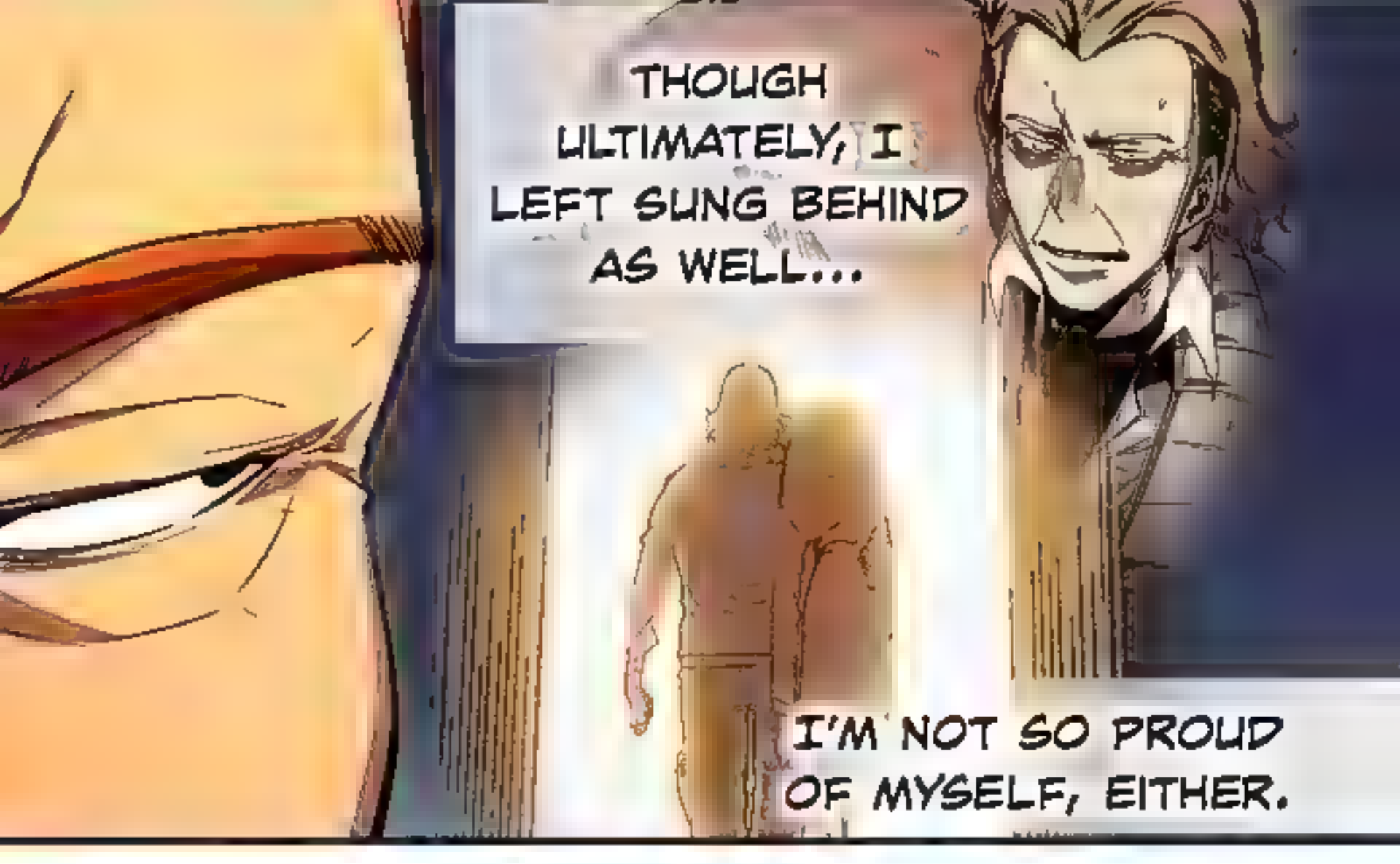


...MR. KIM
SANGSHIK.



HE RAN AWAY THAT
DAY, ABANDONING
ME AND SUNG.

HE DREW HIS SWORD
AGAINST ME AND EVEN
SACRIFICED US AS
OFFERINGS. HE MUST
FEEL ASHAMED TO
SEE US AGAIN.



THOUGH
ULTIMATELY, I
LEFT SUNG BEHIND
AS WELL...

I'M NOT SO PROUD
OF MYSELF, EITHER.



THAT'S RIGHT,
I DIDN'T CONSIDER
THAT.

URGH..

MY ARM!

SLASH

ALL OF US...

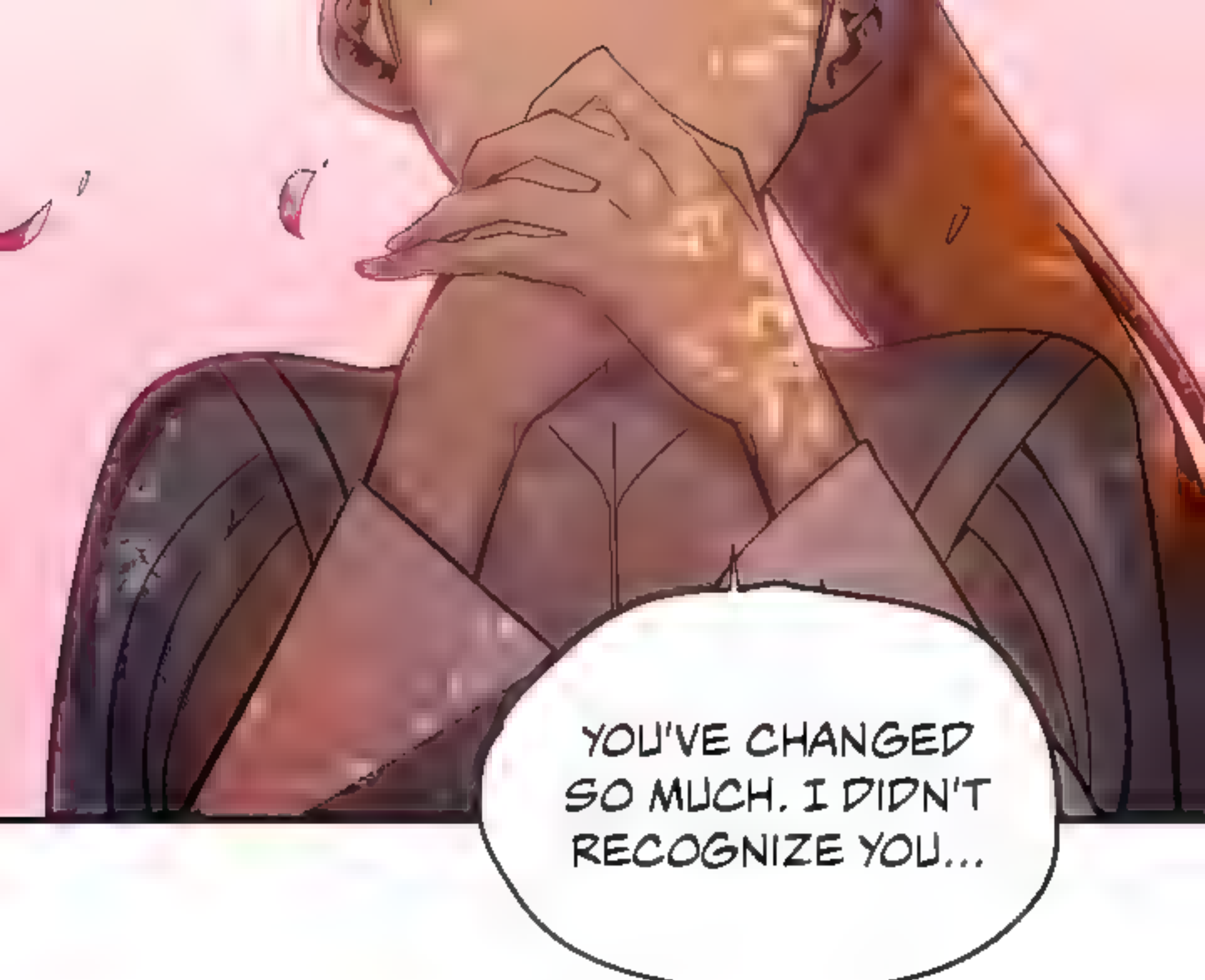
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MOVED JUST
NOW!

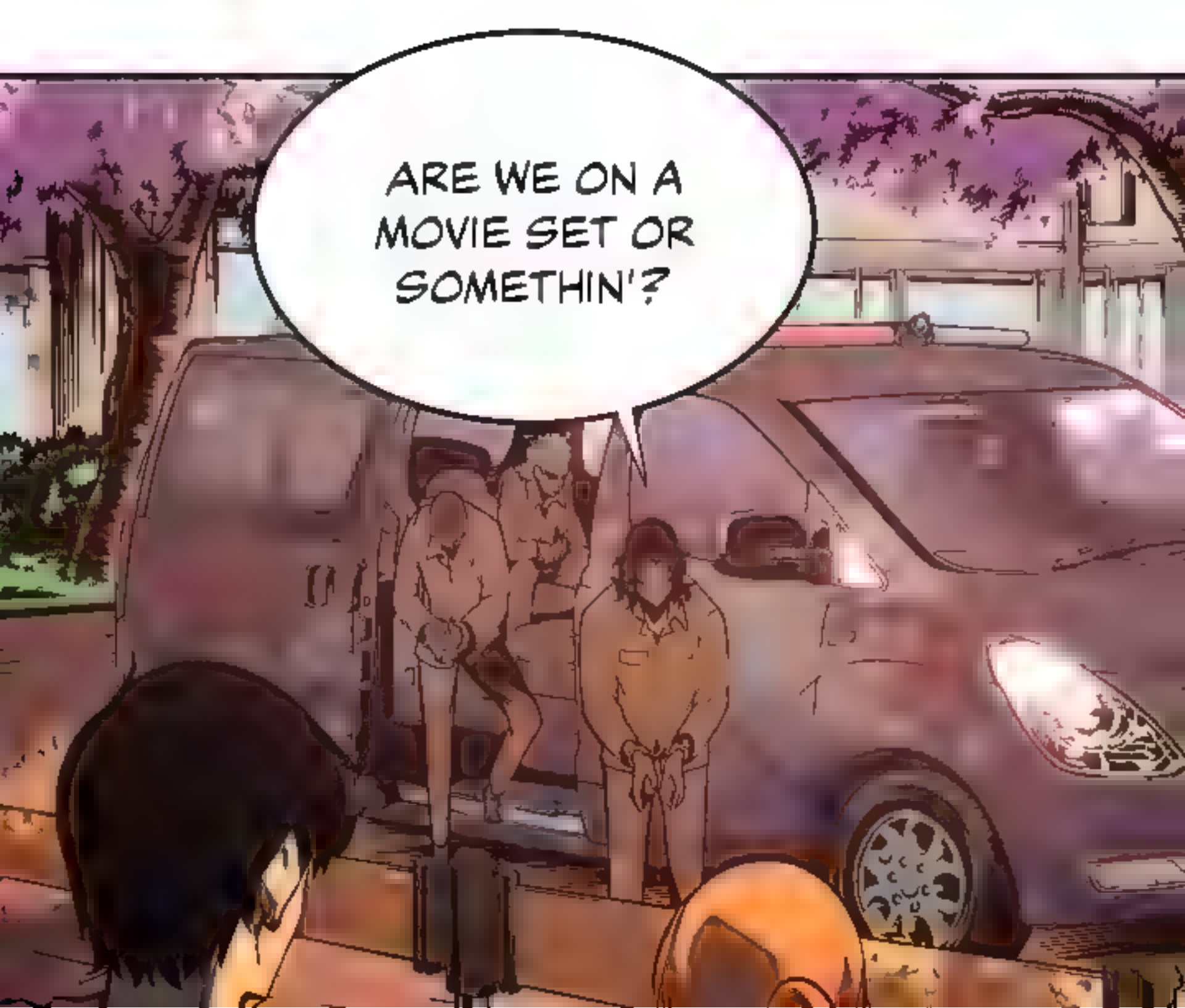
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THERE ALIVE...

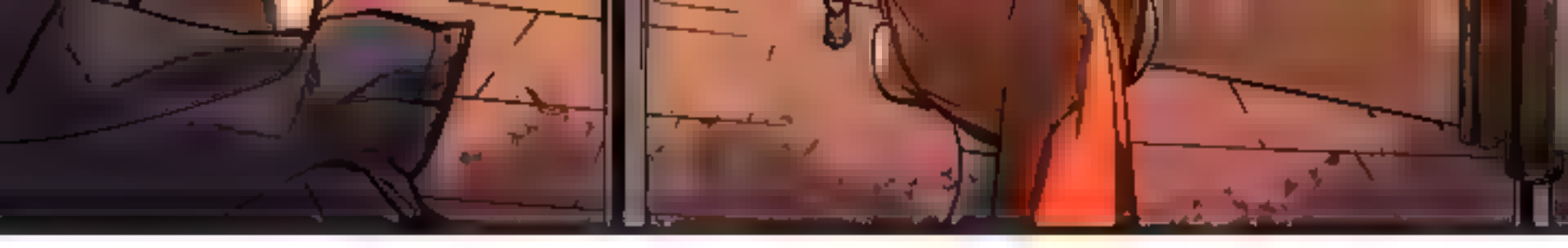


JINWOO...

IS THAT
REALLY YOU?











I'M SORRY
WE'RE LATE.
MR. SLUNG JINWOO AND
MR. SONG CHIYUL, YOU'RE
THE HUNTERS THAT WERE
CALLED ON DUTY,
CORRECT?

I'LL RUN YOU
THROUGH THE
PROCEDURES
FIRST.



H...HANG ON,
WHAT EXACTLY
IS GOING ON
HERE?!

AH, ARE YOU
TALKING ABOUT
THEM?



THEY'RE
"PROBATIONAL
PRISONERS" THAT WILL
BE ACCOMPANYING YOU
ON YOUR RAID
TODAY.

"PROBATIONAL PRISONERS"?! ARE YOU TELLING US TO GO ON THIS RAID WITH A BLUNCH OF CRIMINALS RIGHT NOW?!

A...ALTHOUGH THEY'RE CRIMINALS, THEY USED TO BE HUNTERS...

THEY BECAME "PROBATIONAL PRISONERS" IN ORDER TO REDUCE THEIR SENTENCE, SO THEY WON'T BE CAUSING ANY TROUBLE.

MY GOD...

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I HOPE YOU UNDERSTAND THE CIRCUMSTANCES, SIR. WE DON'T HAVE A CHOICE. THE NUMBER OF HUNTERS IN THIS DISTRICT HAS DRASTICALLY DECLINED.

ALSO, MR. KANG TAESHIK FROM THE ASSOCIATION'S SURVEILLANCE TEAM IS A HUNTER, AND HE HAS AGREED TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S RAID. THERE'S NO NEED TO WORRY.

ALL THE PRISONERS ARE C-RANK AND MR. KANG IS B-RANK.

IN ORDER TO CLEAR A B-RANK DUNGEON, YOU'LL NEED AROUND 10 C-RANK HUNTERS.



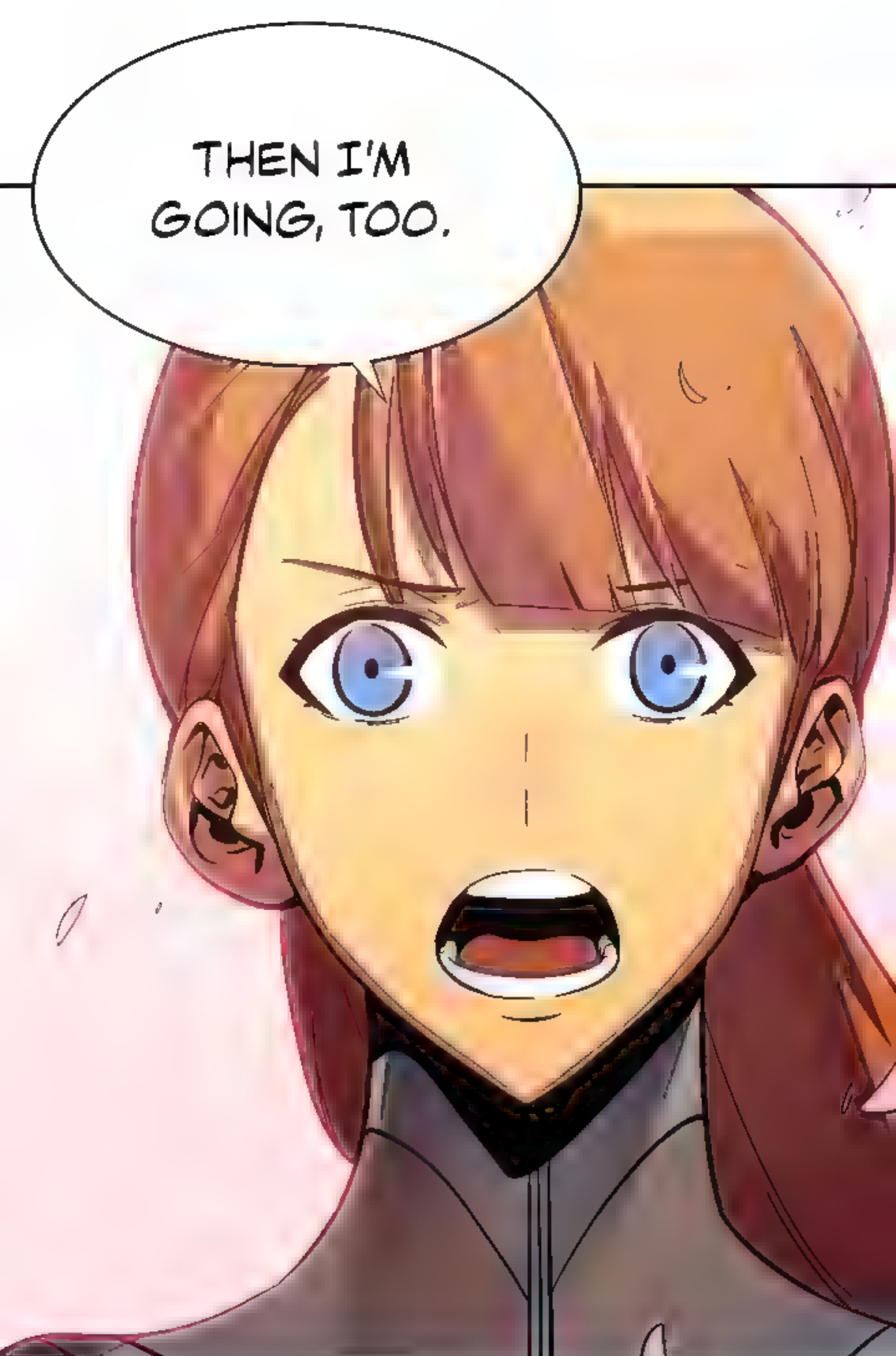
I DON'T HAVE A
GOOD FEELING
ABOUT THIS.

JOOHEE, YOU
SHOULD PASS ON
TODAY'S RAID.

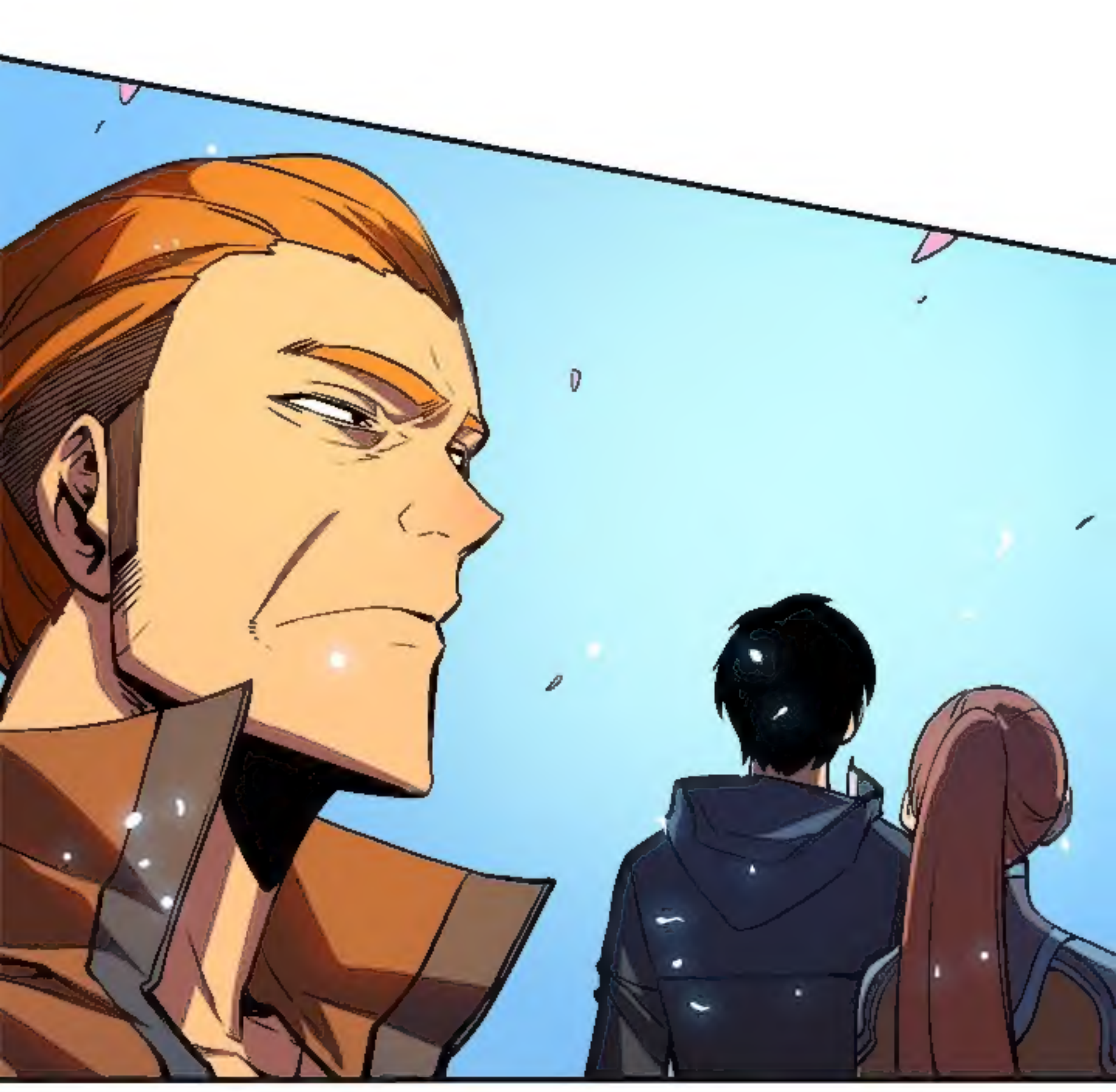
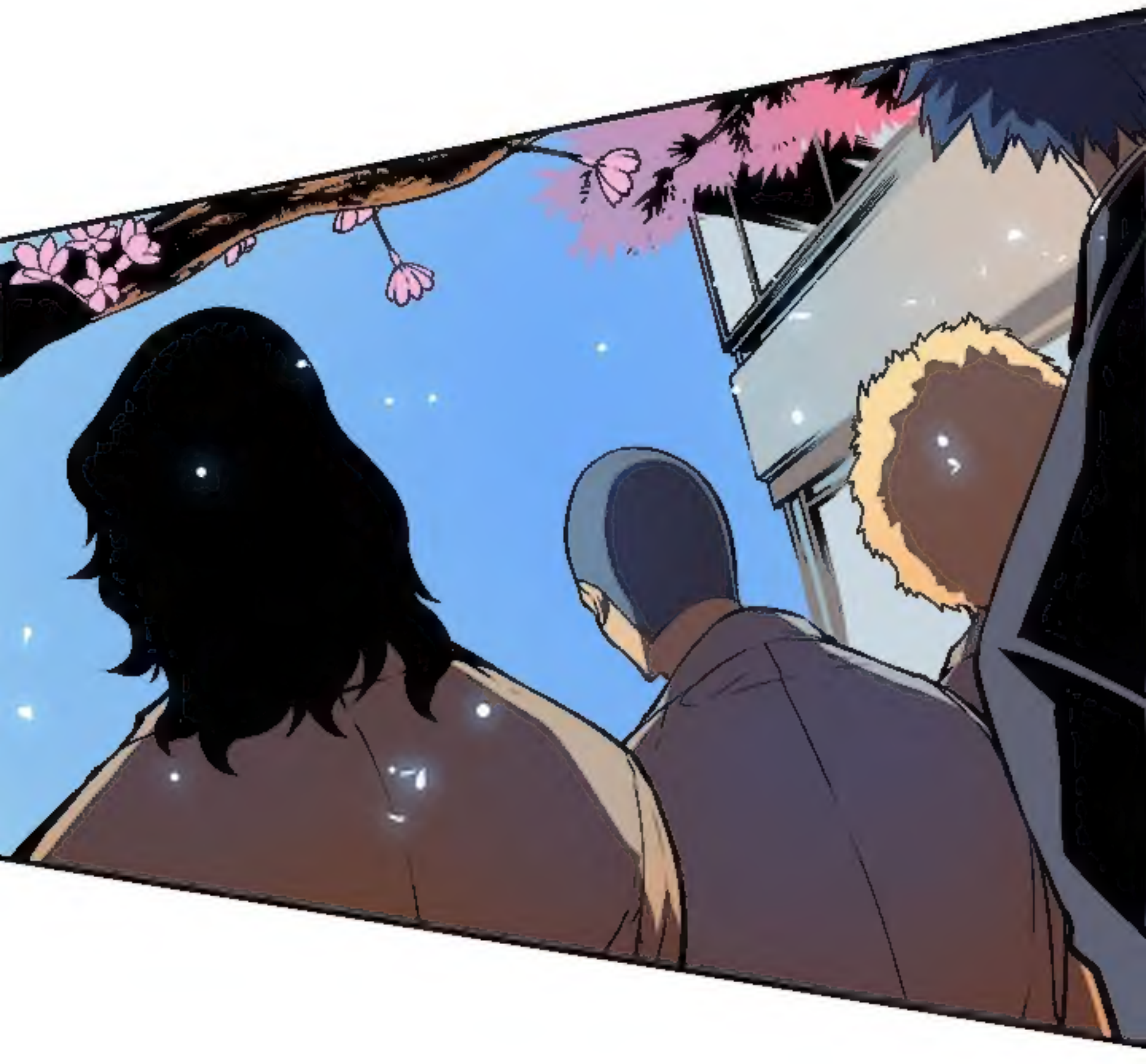
WHAT
ABOUT YOU,
JINWOO?



I'M GOING.



THEN I'M
GOING, TOO.





WE'RE SUPPOSED
TO GO ON THIS
RAID WITH THESE
MEMBERS?

AH... I SEE.



I GUESS WE
SHOULD ALL
GET GOING
THEN.

MAYBE THIS, TOO,
IS "FATE."



INTO THE
DUNGEON WE
GO.

To Be Continued...

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